

Samuel de Champlain Road Rally – QUESTIONS updated Oct 2018

In 1615, Samuel de Champlain travelled through Northumberland County. Here's a chance to drive (some gravel roads) through territory Champlain once traversed as he took the 16 km Percy Portage through Trent Hills cutting off about 35 kms of rapids on the Trent River.

This 74 km rally should take you approximately 2 hours to complete and will begin and finish at the same location. Along the way you will be taken for a rolling, scenic drive with spectacular hilltop views and many stops along the mighty Trent River. You'll also be entering a village and a town so you can shop, dine, picnic, and have a place for the kids to play.

You are looking for permanent signage or landmarks. Keep in mind that all odometers are not the same; when you get close to the directed distance, slow down and start looking, or get out and start searching.

When you are done, take the boxed word () from the correct answers (see question **) to formulate the subject line of an email. Send the email to info@northumberlandtourism.com and you'll receive an automatic response with the answers which will include a map of Champlain's portage route through Northumberland.

You'll want to familiarize yourself with these short forms before you begin:

SA – Straight Ahead

TR – Turn Right

TL – Turn Left

BR – Bear Right

BL – Bear Left

You're beginning at the Hastings Field House, 97 Elgin Street, Hastings/Trent Hills.

Exit the parking lot and TL. Go SA to stop sign, TR. Go SA to stop sign, TL.

Go SA 0.5km (while driving, note the rapids that Champlain avoided by taking the Percy Portage), TL.

Go SA 0.2km, stop.

Q. You have entered an area monitored by what?

A. _____

Before driving off, there's a chance to learn about the area's history. Go SA to the first right and turn. Go SA to stop sign, TR. Go SA to stop sign, TR. Go SA 3.9km, TL, and then stop.

Q. River hard to travel.

A. _____

Go SA 2.2km, stop.

Q: How many yellow squares?

A. _____

Go SA 0.8km and stop to admire the route that Champlain would have taken at higher water. Go SA to stop sign, TL.

Go SA to stop sign. Go SA 2.6km, stop.

Q. Canoe model.

A. _____

TR, and go SA to stop sign, TR. Go SA 2.3km, slow down (with caution) to see the waterway Champlain would have travelled. Go SA 1.9km, BL, go SA to stop sign, TL. Go SA 0.1km, stop.

Q. Year of commencement.

A. _____

TL at stop sign. Go SA to stop sign. Go SA 1.5km, stop.

Q. What service is provided here?

A. _____

Go SA 2.1km, TR. Go SA 0.1km.

Stop to appreciate an area used by Champlain to enter the water.

Back track to stop sign, TR. Go SA to stop sign TR. Continue SA 4.9km (while driving observe an area where Champlain avoided more rapids by taking the Percy Portage)

TR. Go SA to stop sign, TL. Go SA, BR to parking lot.

Q. Small generating unit.

A. _____

Back Track and exit parking lot and TR. Go SA 2km BR to stop sign

Q. What 2 colours are on the municipal sign? _____

You've entered a town where you have an opportunity to shop, or just sit by the Trent-Severn Waterway and watch the yachts go by.

TL. SA to stop lights. SA 7.8km and pull over onto the shoulder.

Q. I was born in the year of confederation.

A. _____

Consider taking a tour and tasting while you're here.

SA to intersection, TL. Go SA 4km, TL. Go SA to stop sign, TL. Go SA 0.4km, TL. Go SA (BR) 1km, stop.

Q. No _____ area.

A. _____

Go SA to stop sign, TR. Go SA to stop sign. Go SA to Stop Sign. Continue SA to stop sign, TL. Go SA to stop sign.

**Q. Slim _____

A.

TR and go SA 2.8km, TR. BL to dead end.

Q. Who am I dedicated to?

A. _____

Back track to stop sign and TR. Go SA to stop sign and TL. Go SA 0.2km, TR. Go SA 0.2km, TL.

Welcome back!